

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-9. (Canceled)

10. (New) A film peeling method for peeling off a film on a surface of a display panel, the method making use of a film peeling device that comprises:

- a transport pallet on which a display panel on which a film has been stuck is to be mounted;
- a transport system for transporting the transport pallet;
- a cylindrical roller that has a self-rotating function disposed above the transport system; and
- a contact plate that is provided on the outer surface of the roller in a state capable of open and close and that is pressed against the outer surface of the roller so as to that the end of the film is enable to be inserted between the roller and the contact plate and be grasped between thereof;

where effective lengths of the roller and the contact plate are made longer than the length of the short side of the display panel, and

the method comprising:

- peeling off an end of the film that has been stuck on the display panel,
- inserting the end of the peeled film between the outer surface of the roller and the contact plate and pressing the contact plate against the outer surface of the roller, and
- subsequently rotating the roller and at the same time moving the transport pallet on which the display panel is mounted by use of the transport system so as to peel off the film on the surface of the display panel.